

# **A hundreth good**

**pointes of husbandry.**

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A hundreth good pointes, of good husbandry,  
maintaineth good household, with his wifery.  
Housekeeping and husbandry, if it be good:  
must loue one another, as coulmes in blood.  
The wife to, must husband as well as the man:  
or farewell thy husbandry, doe what thou can.

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To the right honorable and my speciall good lord  
and maister, the lord Pager, lord pridiie scale,

**T**he trouth doth teache, that tyme must serue.  
(How euer man, doth blase hys mynde)  
(Of thynges most lyke, to thynges oʒ serue:)  
Much apt to iudge, is often blinde.  
And therfoze, tyme it doth behoofe:  
I shall make of trouth, a perfit pzoofe.

**T**ake you my lord, and mayster than,  
(Unlesse mischaunce, mischaunleth me:)  
Such homely gyft, of your own man,  
Synce moze in court, I may not be.  
And let your praise, wonne here tofoze:  
Remayne abode, soz evermoze.

**M**y seruyng you, thus vnderstande,  
And god his helpe, and yours withall:  
Wyd canse good lucke, to take myne hands,  
Erecting one, most lyke to fall.  
My seruyng you, I know it was:  
Enfozced this, to come to passe.

So synce I was, at Cambzidge taught,  
Of court ten yeres, I made a say:  
No musike than, was left vnought,  
A care I had, to serue that way.  
My loye gan flake, then made I chaunge:  
Expulled myzth, soz musike straunge.

My musike synce, hath been the plough,  
Entangled, with some care among:  
The gayn not great, the payn enough,  
Hath made me syng, another song.  
And if I may, my song auowe:  
No man I craue, to iudge but you.

Your seruant,  
Thomas Tuller,

*A hundreth good poyntes of husbandry.*

*Concordia parua res crescunt  
Discordia maxima dilabuntur.*

1 Where couples agree not, is rancor and paylen:  
where they two kepe house than, is neuer no foylen.  
But contrary, lightly where couples agree:  
what chaunseth by wil dom, looke after to see.

2 Good husbandes that loueth good householdes to kepe:  
be sometime full carefull, when others do slepe.  
To spend as they may, or to stop at the furst:  
for running behinde hand, or teare of the tounst.

3 Then count with thy purse, when thy harvest is in:  
thy cardes being tolde, how to saue or to win.  
But win or els saue, or els passe not to farre:  
For hoping to make, least thou happen to marre.

4 Make money thy drudge, for to folow thy marke:  
and Wisdom thy steward, good Order thy clack.  
Prouision thy cator, and all shall goe well:  
for foylen is there, where prouision doth dwell.

5 With some folke on sundayes, their tables do reke:  
and halfe the weke after, their diners to seke.  
At no tyme to much, but haue alway ynough:  
is householdly fare, and the gyle of the plough.



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- 6 For what shal it profet, ynough to prouide:  
and then haue it spoiled, or filched a side.  
As twenty lode bulches, cut downe at a clappe:  
such hede may be taken, shall stoppe but a gappe.
- 7 Good labouring threshers, are worthy to eate:  
Good husbandly ploughmen, deserueth their meate.  
Good huswinely huswines, that let for no rest.  
Should eate when they list, and should drinke of the best.
- 8 Beware raskabillia slouthfull to worke:  
prolouners and fischers, that loue for to lurke.  
And cherishe well willers, that serueth thy nede:  
take time, to thy Tutor, God sende the good spede.

**August.**

- 9 When haruest is done, all thing placed and set:  
for saultfishe and herring, then late for to get.  
The byeng of them, consuming first vnto rode:  
shal pay for thy charges, thou spendest a brode.
- 10 Thy saultfishe well chosen, not burnt at the stone:  
or dreye them thy selfe, (having skill is a lone.)  
Brought salte to thy house, would be packed by dreye:  
with pease strawe betwene, lest it rot as it lie.

*A hundreth good poyntes of husbandry.*

- 11 **O** ever thou ride, with thy seruantes compounde  
to carry thy muchilles, on thy barley ground.  
One aker wel compass, is worth akers thre:  
at haruest thy barne, shall declare it to thee.
- 12 **T**his good shalt thou learne, with thy riding about:  
the prises of thinges, all the yere thoroughout.  
And what time is best, for to sell that thou haue:  
and how for to bye, so be likely to saue.
- 13 **F**or bying and selling, doth wondrous well:  
to him that hath wit, how to by and to sell.  
But chopping and chaungeing, may make such a brec k:  
that gone is thy winninges, for sauing thy neck.
- 14 **T**he riche man his bargaines, are neuer vnought:  
the seller will fynde him, he nede not take thought.  
But herein consisteth, a part of our tect:  
who byeth at first hand, and who at the next.
- 15 **H**e byeth at first hand, that ventreth his golde:  
he byeth at second, that dare not be bolde.  
He byeth at thir d hand, that nedes borrow must:  
who byeth of him than, shall pay for his lust.
- 16 **W**hen euer thou bargain, for better or worse:  
let alway one bargain, remain in thy purse.



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Good credit doth well, but good credit to kepe:  
is pay and dispatche him, or ether thou slepe.

- 17 Be mindeful abrode, of thy Whighelmas syng:  
for theron Dependeth, a marvellous thing.  
Whē gentiles use walking, with halokes on their handes:  
Good hus bandes with grasing, doe purchase their landes.

- 18 And as thou come homeward, bye. xl. good crones:  
and fatte me the bodies, of those sely bones.  
With those and thy swine, or and thy onetyde be past:  
thy folke shal fare well, where as others shal fast.

- 19 Thy saffron plot pared, in saint mary dales:  
for pleasure and profit, shal feede many waies.  
With twenty foote square, knowing how for to doo:  
shal stede both thine own house, and next neighbour too.

**(September.**

- 20 Thre she sede and goe sanne, for the plough may not lye:  
September doth bid, to be sowing of rye.  
The redges well harrowde, or euer thou strike:  
is one poynt of husbandry, rye land do like.

- 21 Geue winter cozne leue, for to have full his lust:  
some wheate as thou mayst, but some rye in the dust.

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*Be care.*

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Be carefull for seede, for such seede as thou sowest:  
as true as thou livest, loke instly to mowe.

22 The seede being sowne, water for to the ground:  
that rain when it cummeth, may runne abo a round.  
The ditches kept skored, the hedge clad with thorne:  
Doth well to drayne water, and saue thy corne.

23 Then furth with thy flinges, and thine scythes & bowes:  
till ridges be grene, kepe the corne from the crows.  
A good hore abroad, by the day starre appere:  
shall share good man crowe, that he dare not come nere.

24 At Michaelmas, mast would be loked upon:  
and lay to get some, or the mast be begon.  
It saue thy corne well, it fette thy sowe:  
In frost it doth helpe them, where els they should pine.

**October.**

25 The ry in the ground, while September doth last:  
October, for wheate sowing, calleth as fast.  
What euer it cost thee, what euer thou geue:  
haue done sowing wheate, before halowmas eue.

26 The more the want, gather fruit on the tree:  
And when the want is, and the want is, the



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the riper the better, for grasse and for thee.

But michers that loue not, to bte nor to craue:

make some gather sooner, els fewe should they haue.

27 Or winter doe come, while the weather is good:

for gutting thy ground, get the home with thy wood.

Set baulen alone, lay the boughes from the blockes:

thy drier, the les maidens, dablith their dockes.

28 For rooting thy ground, ring thy hogges thou hast neede:

the better thou ring them, the better they fede.

Most times with their elders, the yong ones kepe best:

then poke well the great knaues, and fauour the rest.

29 But poke not thy swine, while thine akerne time last:

for diuers misfortunes, that happen to fast.

Or if thou loue eared, and bymained hogges:

giue eie to thy neighbour, and eare to his dogges.

**C Nouembre.**

30 Get by with thy barley lande, dry as thou can:

at March (as thou layest it) so loke for it than.

Get euer before hande, drag neuer behinde:

least winter beclip thee, and breake of thy minde.

31 At Mallobomas slaughter time, some cometh in:

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and than doth the hulbande mans feasting begin.  
From that tyme to Candlemas, weekely kill some:  
their offal for household, the better shal come.

- 32 All soules that be thursty, bid thre the out for maint:  
well handled and tended, or els thou dost nauolt.  
Thence crease of one strike, is a pek for thy store:  
the maker is bad els, or pilfeth the more.

- For Easter, at Marulmas hange vp a biese:  
33 for pease fed and stall fed, play pickpurse the thiefe.  
With that and fat bakon, till grasse biese come in:  
thy folke shall loke cherely, when others loke thin.

- 34 Set gardeine beanes, after saint Edmonde the king:  
the Moone in the wane, thereon hangerh a thing.  
Thence crease of one gallonde, well pruned of some:  
shall pleasure thy householde, ere pesthod tyme come.

- 35 Except thou take good hede, when fiell they apere:  
the crokes will be halfe, grow they neuer so nere.  
Thinges sordne, let of geat, in good memory haue:  
from beast, bird, and beest, to cherithe and saue.

**December.**

- A hode for the raine, when thou canst do no good:  
36 then go let thy flayles, as the flayles were hood.

**Beware**



*A bundret<sup>1</sup> good poyntes of husbandry.*

Beware they threſhe cleane, though the leſſer they yarne:  
and if thou wilt threue, loke thy ſelfe to thy barne.

37 If barne come to ill ſerue, lay thy ſtooner by dyer:  
and eche kinde of ſtraw, by hit ſelfe let ſtyle.  
Thy chaſſe houſed ſweete, kept from pullem and duſt:  
ſhall ſerue well thy horſes, when labour they muſt.

38 When paſture is gone, and the ſildes mien and meate:  
then ſtable thy plough horſe, and theſe give them meate:  
The better thou uſeſt hem in place where they ſtander:  
more ſtrength ſhall they haue, for to breake by thy lande.

39 Giue cattell their fodder, the plot drie and warme:  
and count them, for miring or other like harme.  
Truſt neuer to hopes, if thou truſt well to ſpede:  
be ſerued with thoſe, that may helpe at a nede.

40 Serue firſt out thy rie ſtraw, then to heate & then pease:  
then ote ſtraw then barley, then hay if thou pleaſe.  
But ſerue them with haye, while thy ſtraw ſtooner laſt:  
they loue no more ſtraw, they had rather to faſt.

41 Kepe neuer ſuch ſeruantes, as doth thee no good:  
for making thy heare, growing thorough thy hood.  
For neſtling of verletes, of brothels and hoozes:  
make many a rich man, to ſet up his doozes.

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**C**hristmas.

42 Get Ipe and hull, woman Deck by thyne house:  
and take this same brabone, for to seeth and to souse.  
Provide vs good chere, for thou knowest the old guise:  
olde customes, that good be, let no man dispise.

43 At Christmas be mery, and thanke god of all:  
and feast thy poze neighbours, the great with the small.  
yea al the pere long, haue an eie to the pooze:  
and god shall sende luck, to kepe open thy dooze.

Good fruite and good plenty, doth well in thy loft:  
44 then lay for an orcharde, and cherithe it oft.  
The pzoet is mickell, the pleasure is mutch:  
at pleasure with pzoet, few wise men will grutch.

45 For plantes and for stockes, lay afoze hand to cast:  
but set oz remoue them, while twelue tide doe last.  
Set one from another, full twenty fote square:  
the better and greater, they perey will bare.

**C**January.

When Christmas is done, kepe not Christmas time stilk:  
46 be mindfull of rering, and loth for to kill.  
For then what thou seest, thou nede not to dout:

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will double thy gaine, ere the yere come about.

47 Be greedy to spende all, and careless to saue:  
and shortly be neddy, and redy to rraue.  
Be wilfull to kill, and vnkilfull to stoze:  
and lone giue by houskeping longe any more.

48 Thy calues then that come, betwene new yere and lent:  
saue gladly for stoze, lest thou after repent.  
For all thing at that time, that colde feleth some:  
shall better beare colde, when the next winter come.

49 Meane no time thy calfe, vnder, el. daies older:  
and lay for to saue it, as thou sauest golde.  
yet calues that doe fal, betwene change and the primer:  
pas seldome to rere them, but kill them in time.

50 For stozes of thy swine, be thou carefull bethoir:  
of one sow at one time, ere seldome past six.  
The fewe that she kepe, much the better shal bee:  
of all thing one good, is worth steruelinges thre.

51 Geld vnder the dame, within fortnight at least:  
and saue both thy money, and life of the beast.  
But gelde with the gelder, as many one doe:  
and of halfe a dosen, go geld away two.

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52 Thy coltes for the saddle, geld yong to be light:  
for cart doe not so, if thou iudgest a right.  
For geld not, but when they be lusty and fat:  
for there is a point, to be learned in that.

53 Geld marefoles but fitts, ere and nine dayes of age;  
they die els of gelding, some gelders wil gage.  
But marefoles, both likely, of bulke and of bone:  
kepe such to bring coltes, let their gelding alone.

54 For gaining a trifle, sell neuer thy floze:  
for chaunsing on worse, then thine owne were befoze.  
More larger of body, the better for brede:  
more forwarde of growing, the better they spede.

55 Thy sowes great with fave, that come best for to reue:  
loke dayly thou seest them, and count them full bere.  
For that time the losse, of one fave of thy sowe:  
is greater, then losse of two calves of thy kowe.

56 A kowe good of milk, big of bulke, hayle and sounde:  
is verely for profet, as good as a ponde.  
And yet by the yere, haue I proued ere now:  
as good to the purse, is a sow as a kowe.

57 Kepe one and kepe both, so thou maist if thou wilt:  
then all shall be saued, and nothing be spilt.

**Kepe**



*A hundred good poyntes of husbandry.*

Kepe two bease and one sow, and live at thine ease:  
and no time for nede, by thy meate but thou please.

- 58 Who both by his calves, and his lambes will be knobone:  
may well kill a neate, and a shepe of his owne.  
And he that will reere vp, a pig in his house:  
shall eate sweter bakon, and cheaper fed sowse.

- 59 But eate by thy beale, pig and lambe being froth:  
and twice in a weeke, go to bed without broth.  
As that man that pas not, but sell away sell:  
shall neuer kepe good house, where euer he dwell.

- 60 Spende none but thyne owne, howsoeuer thou spende:  
nor hast not to god ward, for that he doth sende.  
Tythe truly for al thing, let pas of the rest:  
the iust man his dealinges, god prospereth best.

- 61 In January husbandes, that poverbeth the grotes:  
will breake by their lay, or be sowing of otes.  
Sow Iauier Otes, and lay them by thy wheate:  
in May by thy hay, for thy cattel to eate.

*February.*

- 62 In Feuerell, rest not for taking thine ease:  
get into the ground, with thy beanes and thy peas.

*Sow*

**A hundreth good poyntes of husbandry.**

**Sow peason betimes, and betimes they will come:  
the sooner, the better they fill by a come.**

**63 In every grene, where the fence is not thine:  
the thornes stub out cleane, that the grasse may be fine.  
Thy neighbours wil borrow, els hack them be lue:  
so neither thy grasse, nor the bushes shall thine lue.**

**64 Thy servant, in walking, thy pastures aboute:  
for yokes, forkes and rakes, let him loke to finde oute.  
And after at leyser, let this be his hier:  
to trimme them and make them, at home by the fier.**

**65 When frostes will not suffer, to ditche nor to hedge:  
then get the an heate, with thy betill and wedge.  
A blocke at the harthe, couched close for thy lue:  
shall helpe to saue fier bore, and please well thy wife.**

**66 Then lop for thy feuel, the powlinges well growen:  
that hindzeth the corne, or the grasse to be mowen.  
In lopping and cropping, saue Edder and stake:  
thyne hedges where nede is, to mende or to make.**

**67 No stick nor no stone, leaue vnpleked by clene:  
for hurting thy lieth, or for harming thy grene.  
For sawing of al thing, get home with the rest:  
the snow frozen hardest, thy cart may goe best.**

**Spare**



*A hundreth good poyntes of husbundry.*

68 **S**pare meddowes at throstide, spare marshes at paske:  
for feare of a drough, neuer longer time aske.  
Then hedge them and ditche them, best ow theron pence:  
for meddow and corne, it tawth euer good fence.

69 **A**nd alway let this, be a part of thy care:  
for shift of good pasture, lay pasture to spare.  
Then leaue the groundes, and to keeping them in  
kinde cattel at ease, and haue pasture at will.

**Marche.**

70 **I**n Marche sow thy barley, thy soude not to colde,  
the drier the better, a hundreth times folde.  
That tilth harrowde finely, set sede time an ende:  
and praise and pray God, a good harvest to sende.

71 **S**ow wheate in a meane, sow thy Rye not to thin,  
let peason and beanes, here and there, take thetith.  
Sow barley and otes, good and thick doe not spare:  
giue lande leaue her sede, or her weede for to bare.

72 **F**or barley and pease, harrow after thou sow:  
for rye harrowe little, seldom after it trow.  
Let wheat haue a flook, for to couer the seed,  
that after a froll, it may out and growe to breed.

## Of huswifry.

**A digression from husbandrie:  
to a point or two of huswifry.**

Now here I think needful, a parole for to make:  
to treate of some paines, a good huswife must take.  
For huswives must husbande, as wel as the man:  
or farewell thy husbandrie, do what thou can.

In Marche and in Aprill, from morning to night:  
in sowing and setting, good huswives delight.  
To haue in their garden or some other plot:  
to trim by their house, and to furnish their pot.

Haue millions of Shelmags, partners in lent:  
in June, buttered beanes, laneth fish to be spent.  
With those and good pottage, inough hauing than:  
thou winnest the heart, of thy laboring man.

## April.

From April begin, to saint Andrews day:  
so long with good huswives, their dairies doe last.  
Good milche, heale and pasture, good husbandes provide:  
good huswives know best, all the rest how to guide.



## Of huswifry.

But huswifes, that learne not to make their owne cheese:  
with trusting of others, have this for their feele.

Their milke clapt in corners, their creame al to soft;  
their milke pannes to rotte, that their wheeles be lost.

Where some of a sowe, maketh yetely a pounce:  
these huswifes crye creak, for their voice will not sounde.

The seruantes suspecting their dame lye in waughte;  
with one thing or other, they rebbelge about the night.

Then neighbour for gods sake if any such bee:  
if you know a good seruant, bringe her to mee.

Such maister, such man, and such mistres such mayde:  
such husbandes and huswifes, such houses gentle.

For flat and for bent, for to haue or get done:  
the wise maide in May, take good heed it be done.

And trimme it and kepe it, to serue at a nede;  
the femble to spin, and the kare for her lede.

Good husbandes abroad, seeth at well to haue  
good huswifes at home, seeth at well to saue.

Thus hauing and sauing, in place where they meete;  
make profit with pleasure, such couples to greet.

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A hundredth good poyntes of husbandry.

73 Both Jacob and Isaac bid out of thy lamines:  
that thinke it to haue any milke of their damnes.

But Lannas adviseth thee, milke not to long:  
for hardnes make pouerte, shabben among.

74 To milke and to fold them is much to requyre:  
except thou haue pasture, to fill their desire.

But nightes being short, and such bede thou mayst take:  
not hurting their bodies, much profit to make.

75 As like as a ewe, for one lamb, well chosen morefoze:  
and double thy dayte, els trust me no more.

And yet may good huswines, that knoweth the skill:  
haue mirth or hurt, at their pleasure and will.

76 For greedy of game, overleap not the ground:  
and then shall thy cattell, be lully and bound.

But pinche them of pasture, while summer time last:  
and plucke at their tayles, ere a winter be past.

Pinche be annels at no time, of water nor meate.

77 if ever thou hope, for to haue them good heate.

In summer at all times, in winter in frost:  
if cattell lacke drinke, they be utterly lost.



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78 In May at the furthest, thy fallow thy lande:  
much drought may cause after, thy plough els to hande.  
That tilth being done, thou hast passed the winter:  
then after, who plowgeth, plowgh thou with the furte.

**¶ June.**

79 In June get thy wedehoke, thy knife and thy gloue:  
and we de out such weede, as the corne doth not loue.  
Slack no time, thy wedding, for dath nor for cheape:  
thy corne shall reward it, or ever thou escape.

80 The may weede doth burne, and the thyme doth teare:  
the Cyme pulleth downe, both the ere and the weate.  
The dock and the brake, noieth corne very much:  
but bodle for barley, no weede there is such.

81 In June beth thy shepe, where the water doth runne:  
and kepe them from dult, but not kepe them from sunne.  
Then share them and spare not, at two daies anende:  
the looker the better, their bodies amende.

82 Rewarde not the shepe, when thou takest his cote:  
with two or three patches, as brode as a gote.  
The flie than and woymes, will compel it to pine:  
more paine to say than ell, more trouble is thine.

*A hundreth good poyntes of husbandry.*

83 But share not thy lammes, till mid July be moine:  
the better their cotes, will be growne to be shorne.  
The pie will discharge thee, for pulling the reste:  
the lighter the shepe is, then fedeth it beste.

Saint Mihiel byd bees, to be brent out of strife:  
84 saint John bid take honey, with fauour of life.  
For one self cottage, set south good and warme:  
take body and goodes, and twile perey a swarme.

85 At Christmas take hede, if their hives be to light:  
take honey and water, together wel dight.  
That mixed with strawes, in a dish in their hives:  
they drone not, they light not, thou sauest their lyues.

86 At midsummer, doone with thy bzymbles and brakes:  
and after abrode, with thy forkes and thy rakes.  
Set mowers a worke, while the meddowes be growne:  
the lenger they stande, so much worke to be moone.

87 Provide of thine owne, to haue all thing at hande:  
els worke and the workman, shall oftentimes stande.  
Loue sel dome to borow, that thinkest to saue:  
who lendeth the one, will loke two thinges to haue.

88 Good husbandes that laye, to saue all thing by night:  
for Tumbrels and cartes, haue a shed redy dight.

A store



*A hundreth good poyntes of husbandry.*

A store house for trinkets, kept close as a iayle:  
that nothing be wanting, the worthe of a nayle.

- 89 Thy cartes would be searched, withoute and within,  
well cloughted, and greased, or haytune begin.  
Thy hay being caried, though carters had swozne:  
the cartes bottome bozded, is sauing of cozne.

**C. lvi.**

- 90 Then muster thy folke, play the captaine thy selfe:  
prouiding them weapon, and suche kinde of pelfe.  
Get bottels and bagges, kepe the fielde in the heate:  
the feare is not muche, but the daunger is great.
- 91 With tossing and raking, and setting on cor:  
the grasse that was grene, is now hay for an ox.  
That done, leaue the tieth, lode thy cart and awaye:  
the battell is fought, thou hast gotten the daye.
- 92 Then doune with thy hedlondeg, thy corne rounde about:  
leaue neuer a dalop, vnmouned or had out.  
Though grasse be but thinne, about harley and pease:  
yet picked vp cleene, it shall do thee good ease.
- 93 Thy fallowe beane, for destroing of weede:  
least thistle and dock, fall a bloming and seede.

**C. lii.**

**Such**

*Abundreth good poyntes of husbandry.*

Such season may hap, it shall stande the vpon:  
to till it againe, or the sower be gone.

94 And better thou warte, so to doe for thy hast:  
then (hardnes) for slough make thy lande to lie wait.  
A redy good forehorse, is dainty to finde:  
be hindered at first, and come alway behinde.

95 Thy houses and barnes would be loked vpon:  
and all thing amended, or haruest come on.  
Thinges thus set in ordre, at quiet and rest:  
thy haruest goeth forwarde and prospereth best.

96 Saint James willet husbandes, get reapers at hande:  
the corne being ripe, doe but shead as it stande.  
Besauing and thankfull, for that god hath sent:  
he sendeth it thre, for the selfe same entent.

97 Reape well, scatter not, gather cleane that is thorne:  
binde fast, shok a pase, pay the tenth of thy corne.  
A lode salfe, carry home, lose no time, being faier:  
golfe iust, in the barne, it is out of dispaier.

98 This done, set the poze ouer all for to gleane:  
and after thy cattel, to eat it vp cleane.  
Then spare it for pasture, till coven be past:  
to lengthen thy dayre, no better thou hast.

Then



**A hundred good poyntes of husbandry.**

99 **Then welcometh thy haruest folk, seruantes and wite**  
with mirth and good chere, let them feynth thine hall.  
**The haruest to be nightly, must geue the a long:**  
fill him then the blacke boll, or els he hath to long.

100 **Thy haruest thus ended, in myght and in love:**  
please euery one gently, man woman and boye.  
Thus doing, with alway, such helpe as they can:  
thou winnest the name, of a right husband man.

**Nowe thinke vpon god, let thy tongue neuer cease:**  
from thanking of him, for his myghty encrease.  
Accept my good will, finde no fault till thou dye:  
the better thou thyself, the gladder am I.

**A sonet, or briefe rehearsal of the properties**  
**of the twelue monethes afore rehearsed.**

**As Janer** frysse pot, bideth come hepe hym in.  
**And feuerell** fill dyke, doth good with his snowe:  
**A bulhel** of As at the dunt, worth ransom of gold.  
**And Appril** his flowers, be to good to be sold.  
**As May** with his flowers, gear ladies aseneth:  
**And Iune** after blooming, set cattels to graze.  
**As Iuly** bid all thing, in order to ripe:  
**And August** bid seapers, to take full their gripe.

**Septem**

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*A hundreth good poyntes of husbandry.*

September his fruit, biddeth gather as fast:

October bid hogges: to come eate up his mast:

As dirtie November, bid thresh at thine ease:

December bid Christmas, to spende what he please:

So wisdom bid kepe, and prouide while we may:

For age creepeth on as the time passeth away.

*Finis.*

Thinges thurte, that teacheth the thuring to thurue:

teache timely to traue, the thing that thou true.

Transferring thy toyle, to the times truely taught:

that teacheth the temperaunce, to temper thy thought.

To temper thy trauaile, to tarpe the tide:

this teacheth the thurstines, twenty times tide.

Thinke truely to trauaile, that thinkest to thee:

the trade that thy teacher taught truely to thee.

Take thankfully things, thanking tenderly those:

that teacheth thee thriftly, thy time to transpoise.

The trouth taught two times, teache thou two times ten:

this trade thou that takest take thyft to the then.

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